

RED RIOT IN PRAGUE

Czechs Endeavor to Honor the Memory of Comenius

ARE SLASHED WITH SWORDS

Battles With the Police Result, and Many Persons Are Cut Down by the Officers

PRAGUE, March 29.—Some time ago preparations were begun in this city by the National Czechs to celebrate the anniversary of the birth of John Comenius, the distinguished educational reformer. He was born March 28, 1592. After the preparations had in many cases been completed the government issued an order forbidding the celebration. The Czechs were highly indignant and the leaders declared that the day should be celebrated in spite of the prohibition.

Charged by the Police.

At 7 o'clock Monday evening an enormous crowd surrounded the monument to the poet Halek on the Carl Platz. The police attempted to disperse the crowd, but they were resisted with dogged determination. Orders were then given to charge the crowd and desperate fighting followed. The mob was armed with sticks and dealt many severe blows to the gendarmes. The latter slashed right and left with their swords, and finally after a pitched battle the crowd was forced to retreat. Many of the rioters were placed under arrest. It was not long before the crowd assembled again, and again were they dispersed. The mob then started in the direction of the Jewish quarter to vent their fury on the Hebrews.

Slashed with Swords.

The police, however, were warned of the proposed attack upon the Jews, and a detachment of mounted police had been dispatched to head off the rioters. Spurring their horses they dashed into the crowd, heedless of whom they rode down, and slashing here, there and everywhere with their swords. The crowd held together only for a short time, when it broke and ran in every direction. A large number of the rioters received severe sword wounds. They were removed in custody to the hospital, where their wounds were dressed, after which they were locked up.

FIVE WILL DIE AT ONCE.

Four Men and a Woman Condemned to Hang at Columbus, S. C.

COLUMBIA, S. C., March 29.—On Friday, May 20, four men and one woman, Blanche Young, Mary Young, Holmes Fobbe, Alfred Crosby and Martha Young, will be hanged in the jail yard at Chester for murder. They are all young and fairly intelligent looking negroes, and they received their sentence with every appearance of indifference. There was a tremendous tumult when the condemned were led from the courtroom, hundreds of their colored friends crowding around them to bid them good-bye before they were returned to their cells. They murdered Alfred McAllister a year ago, beating him to death with stones.

WILL WALK TO SAN FRANCISCO.

NEW YORK, March 29.—Dr. Emil Doon, who for several years lived in London and corresponded for a number of scientific German and Austrian periodicals, is contemplating a walking tour from his spring from New York to San Francisco. He will make this journey in the interest of science, and will publish his experience in book form. He expects to make the journey in 180 days, and will have as his companions three young Englishmen, who will reach here from London next week. Dr. Doon has been in New York since October engaged in studying civil and political conditions in America.

More Mesialah Fecklessness.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 29.—Late Saturday (O. T.) advises state that the Pawnee Indians are holding a Mesialah dance and that they have excited the Sioux, Iowa, Missouri and Kickapoo to join them. Two troops of cavalry are enroute to the scene of the excitement.

Pensions Allowed in One Week.

WASHINGTON, March 29.—In the week ended March 19 the pension bureau allowed 5,735 claims, of which 1,628 were under the general law and 4,107 under the act of 1890. The total first payment was \$333,800, the average being \$144, and the average monthly rate \$7.26.

Seed Grain Needed.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 29.—The commissioner who is arranging for the distribution of the flour and grain sent from America for the relief of the suffering peasants in Russia has written a letter requesting that seed grain be sent from America.

Yellow Fever at Halifax.

HALIFAX, N. S., March 29.—Two cases of yellow fever have developed here—one that of a woman at the married quarters of the troops, and the other that of one of the soldiers. Both have been removed to the military hospital.

Killed by the Cars.

ALTON, Ill., March 29.—While crossing the Blue line railway track Monday morning J. G. McNelly, aged 29, was struck by a backing train and ground to pieces. He leaves a widow and three children.

State Agricultural College Closed.

LANSING, Mich., March 29.—The State Agricultural college at Lansing has been closed and quarantined, owing to the prevalence of diphtheria. Thirty or more arriving students were sent back to their homes.

Crews Railway Works Destroyed.

LONDON, March 29.—The crews railway works at Crews were burned Monday, entailing a loss of \$250,000. These are the principal works of the London & Northwestern railway of England.

To Entertain the Veterans.

WASHINGTON, March 29.—Senator McMillan has introduced a bill appropriating \$500,000 toward the legitimate expenses of entertaining the G. A. R. at their twenty-sixth annual encampment in Washington city next fall.

For a Deep-Water Convention.

MISSOURI CITY, Miss., March 29.—A deep-water convention has been called to meet May 31. Ohio, Indiana,

Missouri, Kansas, Arkansas, Mississippi, Kentucky, Tennessee and Alabama are the states to be represented.

ANTI-PROHIBITIONISTS.

Leaders in Iowa Meet to Urge the Re-consideration and Passage of the Hatch Bill.

DES MOINES, Ia., March 29.—The gathering of anti-prohibition republicans in this city Monday comprised something like seventy-five or one hundred republican business men from various parts of the state. Dubuque, Sioux City, Council Bluffs, New Hampton, Muscatine, Atlantic, Lyons, Charleston, Cedar Rapids, Guttenberg, Belle Plaine, Fairfield, Ottumwa, Keokuk, Indianola, Newton, Mount Pleasant, Denison, Emmetsburg, Farley, Postville, Oelwein, Jefferson and Boone were represented. George A. Wright, of Council Bluffs, was chairman, and C. D. Hayden, of Dubuque, was secretary. A committee of twenty visited the capitol to inquire into the chances for reconsidering and passing the Hatch bill. Little encouragement was given them. At their request a caucus of the house republicans was held in the evening at which were presented resolutions adopted by the anti-prohibitionist conference requesting that action be taken to reconsider the Hatch bill, or to bring before the house such other high license and local option measures as will best regulate the liquor traffic in those parts of the state in which the prohibition law is not and cannot be enforced.

In the house the Pullman car bill, which proposed to regulate the rates of fare to be charged on such cars, was defeated. A motion was made by Mr. Saberson to call the bill up out of its regular order and the roll was ordered called upon the motion. It required a two-thirds vote to call the bill up and enough members voted against the motion to defeat it.

THE SONG OF THE SIREN.

A Handsome Russian Woman Lured Forty Peasants to Destruction.

WARSAW, Russia, March 29.—Police inquiries into the case of two brothers named Vielikovsky, imprisoned here on the charge of murdering and robbing a peasant near Bielostock, have shown the wholesale murder of emigrants on the frontier. Already the naked bodies of five victims have been discovered in the snow in the woods adjacent to the house occupied by the Vielikovskys. There have been many disappearances of late in that neighborhood, and the police estimate that the two brothers have murdered at least forty persons. The elder brother, who was a peasant farmer, has a young wife who, it is charged, took advantage of her sex to abet her husband in his crimes. The victims would be taken in charge by the younger brother and singly they would be conducted along a narrow path through a dense forest. The elder brother would hurry by a short route to a spot agreed upon and when the victim appeared he would be attacked by his guide and the man in ambush. The wife of the elder brother would indulge in flirtations with strangers who came to Monk and would make engagements for them to visit her at home. She is a comely, buxom woman, and admirers would hasten to her house, only to meet death at the hands of the husband and his brother who waited their coming.

BIG FORGERIES UNEARTHED.

Seasonal Developments in the Paige Case in Ohio.

CLEVELAND, O., March 29.—The announcement published Sunday that a cablegram had been received from Mr. John Huntington, who is at Carlsbad, Germany, by his representatives here, declaring that he had indorsed no paper since last April, caused a sensation in financial circles. The original amount of such indorsements was placed at \$150,000 and most of it was due in September last. At a meeting of Mr. Huntington's trustees held Monday it was discovered that at least \$255,000 worth of notes given by Paige, Carey & Co., the New York aqueduct contractors, and bearing John Huntington's indorsement were held by various banks.

BURIED ALIVE IN MUD.

Henry Seifeld, a Washington County (Ill.) Farmer, Meets with a Terrible Accident.

FAYETTEVILLE, Ill., March 29.—Henry Seifeld, a Washington county farmer, met with a horrible death near Saint Liberty. Seifeld and a neighboring farmer named George Strook left Fayetteville with two wagon loads of corn. Both farmers were slightly intoxicated. Strook reached home in safety, but Seifeld failed to put in an appearance. He was found almost buried in mud under his wagon, which had been upset in the road. The position of the farmer's body and his torn clothes showed plainly that he made a desperate struggle for life. He was buried alive in the mud.

NATIONAL SILVER CONVENTION.

Gen. Warner Will Call One to Influence the Two Big Parties.

WASHINGTON, March 29.—Gen. Warner, chairman of the national silver committee, is going to call a national silver convention to be held at St. Louis or some other central point within the next two months. His idea is to secure a vigorous expression on the subject of silver with the hope that it will have some influence upon the national conventions to be held at Minneapolis and Chicago. Leading silver men in Washington approve of the plan.

A Boy Badly Mangled.

OTTUMWA, Ia., March 29.—The 6-year-old son of Martin Hardog was in his father's mining drill factory Monday when his hand was caught in one of the great grindstones and ground to bloody shreds. In his attempt to escape further mutilation his other hand suffered the same fate, and his arms and body were being pulled into the engine of death when an employee at the risk of his life threw the belt and extricated the lad.

Italian-American Exposition.

CHICAGO, March 29.—The municipal council of Chicago has unanimously voted an additional appropriation of \$200,000 in aid of the Italian-American exposition to be held at Genoa in honor of the discovery of America by Columbus.

Hot Factory Destroyed by Fire.

DANBURY, Conn., March 29.—The hat factory of Croft & White, one of the best-known firms in the country in the hatter's trade, has been burned. Loss, \$300,000; covered by insurance.

BLAND IS NOW SAD

His Bill Has Received Its Death Stroke

HE ACKNOWLEDGES ITS DEFEAT

Speaker Crisp Circumvents the Plan of Its Advocates to Bring It Up Again in the House.

WASHINGTON, March 29.—The Bland bill for the free coinage of silver is dead, for this session of congress at least, and cannot come up until next December. Mr. Bland, who clung to the last to the hope of galvanizing the bill into life, admitted late Monday afternoon with reluctance that the bill was dead for this session. Many influences combined to bring about this result.

The Speaker's Action.

Speaker Crisp announced Monday that he would not call a meeting of the committee on rules to consider a resolution to fix an hour for a final vote on the free-coinage bill, and would not vote for such a measure in the committee itself unless he were petitioned to do so by a majority of the democrats in the house. The announcement was a great surprise to Mr. Bland. He had hurried conferences with Pierce, Bartine, Bryan and other silver men, and it was finally decided to try to satisfy the speaker by securing a petition for the closure rule signed by half the democrats. Bryan took out of these petitions, Pierce took another and in all half a dozen petitions were circulated.

Revolt in the Ranks.

The Indiana democrats were the first to decline to have anything to do with the petitions, although there had heretofore been silver men in the Indiana ranks. Virginia was the next to go back on the silver petition, every man in the delegation except Epes declining to sign. Thus delegation after delegation said no, and the silver men found they were beaten. They gave up the job in disgust when, at 5 p. m., it was found that the best they were able to secure was a total of 21 names out of 235 democrats in the house. For a majority there were needed 118.

Bland Blames Crisp.

"Thursday night, or rather early Friday morning, when I moved that the house adjourn," said Mr. Bland to a correspondent, "it was with a distinct understanding that a closure resolution would be brought in. And that understanding was had with the speaker himself by myself. Of course I was surprised when I learned that the agreement was not to be carried out. 'Do you think that the bill is dead?' 'For a time.' 'How would it be possible to get it through the house this session?' 'There is no possible way of doing so with the speaker against us. The bill is dead as far as this congress is concerned. It has been killed by the speaker and his friends. I do not care to discuss the probable effect that the death of the bill will have upon the political future of the democratic party.'"

Speaker Crisp Explains.

Speaker Crisp defined the situation to be simply this: If a majority of the democrats in the house desire the committee on rules to make a report which will enable the house to come to a direct vote on the silver bill and if they signify that desire the committee will make a report. If they do not so signify the committee will understand that the majority do not desire it, and the responsibility will rest with the majority of the democrats of the house and not with the committee on rules. As to Mr. Bland's reference to the speaker's opposition to silver or his duplicity the speaker said he had nothing to say except to recall that by his casting vote he had himself prevented the bill from being tabled and to state that, as a representative from Georgia, he favors and will vote for the free coinage of silver.

Would Not Apply Closure.

To show that he was in favor of the free coinage of silver the speaker recalled the fact that he had appointed a committee which favored the measure and had appointed Mr. Bland at the head of that committee, notwithstanding Mr. Bland had been a very active opponent of Mr. Crisp in the speakership contest. Although in favor of free coinage, the speaker stated that as speaker of the house he would endeavor to execute the will of the majority of the democrats therein respecting reports from the committee on rules, and no criticism by Mr. Bland or effort by Mr. Bland to shift the responsibility would deter him from pursuing this course.

Over a Precipice.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., March 29.—Mrs. Kate Clay and her husband, Harry Clay, and the former's 4-year-old son while driving on a foot bridge over a deep ravine were thrown out by the horse becoming frightened and backing the buggy off the bridge. All were precipitated into the water and Mrs. Clay was drowned before aid could arrive. Ellis Harris, a negro, rescued Mrs. Farley and little Jim Clay. He also brought up Mrs. Clay's body. A purse of \$500 was subscribed for the negro.

Failure on 'Change in Chicago.

CHICAGO, March 29.—The board of trade firm of C. P. Doerr & Co. has been forced to the wall by the severe decline in wheat. The amount of its liabilities is not known, but is expected to be \$5,000 greater than the assets. The loss is distributed among a large number of creditors, none of whom will lose any great amount.

Broke a Record.

CHICAGO, March 29.—John J. Engeldrum broke the world's 25-mile go-around record in this city, making the distance in 2 hours and 39 minutes.

She May Practice.

WASHINGTON, March 29.—Mrs. Myra Bradwell, of Chicago, the fifth woman admitted to practice before the United States supreme court, took the oath to that body Monday. Her admission was moved by Attorney General Miller. Mrs. Bradwell is editor of the Chicago Legal News.

Mail Train Stopped in Poland.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 29.—A mail

train running between Warsaw and Kowal, a town of Poland 30 miles west of Warsaw, was robbed Monday of remittances amounting to 150,000 rubles. The thieves escaped and have succeeded in eluding arrest.

SENATE PROCEEDINGS.

The President Requested to Furnish the Argentine Correspondence.

WASHINGTON, March 29.—The vice president laid before the senate a recommendation of the secretary of the interior that an appropriation of \$10,000 be made to employ an attorney and assistants to protect the interests of the Indians in Indian depredation claims.

On motion of Senator Morgan (Ala.) a resolution was passed requesting the president to communicate to the senate the correspondence with the government of the Argentine Republic on the subject of commercial reciprocity under the McKinley bill.

Senator Wolcott (Col.) introduced a resolution requesting the president to refrain from allotting land in severity to the Indians of Colorado pending existing legislation as to their removal.

Senator Gorman (Md.) reintroduced his bill prohibiting Canadian railroads from doing business in the United States unless they comply with the interstate commerce act.

Senate bill to allow thirty days' leave of absence to employees in the bureau of engraving and printing was taken up and discussed. Senator Hale (Me.) moved to lay the bill on the table. The motion was defeated—yeas, 10; nays, 33. Senator Hale offered as an amendment the insertion of an additional section making the provisions of the law apply to all regular employees of the United States, whether they be employed by the year, the month, the week or the day. The amendment was agreed to without a division, and then the bill was recommended to the committee on education and labor.

THE FREE WOOL BILL.

The House Will Take a Vote Thereon April 22 or 23.

WASHINGTON, March 29.—The Springfield free wool bill will be brought to a vote April 22 or 23. Chairman Springer is on the programme to close the debate. Mr. Springer expects to be sufficiently improved in health by that time to fulfill the task. Although still nervous and weak he is improving steadily and will leave the city Friday for Fort Monroe, where recuperation is expected to be more rapid. The binding twine and cotton bagging bills will then be pushed to a vote, to be followed perhaps by other specific bills. With these measures disposed of in the house and the appropriation bills in excellent shape the democratic majority believe that an early adjournment of congress is possible and discussed the question to some extent Monday. No conclusion was reached but the sentiment was favorable to June 1 as the date of final adjournment.

LARGE REQUESTS TO COLLEGES.

Provisions of the Will of Daniel B. Fayerweather, the Millionaire.

NEW YORK, March 29.—Executors of the estate of Daniel B. Fayerweather, the millionaire leather merchant, have filed an inventory of the estate, which shows the value of the personal property to be \$3,598,060 as the appraised value and \$4,935,401 as the par value. One item of the inventory is \$300,000 in mortgages on Chicago real estate. Under the will \$3,735,000 were left to colleges, \$500,000 to hospitals, and the personal property amounted to about \$550,000. The following educational institutions will receive the following amounts: Yale college, \$450,000; Cooper union, \$200,000; Columbia college, \$200,000; Cornell university, \$200,000; Wesleyan university, \$150,000; Bowdoin college, \$100,000; Amherst college, \$100,000; Williams college, \$100,000; Dartmouth college, \$100,000; Harvard college, \$100,000; University of Rochester, \$100,000; Hamilton college, \$100,000; Lafayette college, \$100,000; University of Virginia, \$100,000; Lincoln university, \$100,000; Hampton university, \$100,000; Bryn Mawr college, \$100,000; Marietta college, \$100,000; Wabash college, \$100,000; Union college, \$100,000; University of the City of New York, \$100,000; Harvard university, \$100,000; Princeton college, \$100,000; Rutgers college, \$100,000; Northwestern university, \$100,000; Adelbert college, \$100,000; Park college, \$100,000; Union theological seminary, \$100,000; Haverford college, \$100,000; University of Pennsylvania, \$100,000; Brown university, \$100,000; Welles college, \$100,000; Elmira female college, \$100,000; Vassar college, \$100,000; Trinity college, \$100,000; Shattuck school, \$25,000.

BLEW HIMSELF TO PIECES.

A Man Holds a Stick of Powder in His Mouth and Lights the Fuse.

KINGSTON, N. M., March 29.—The body of Horace McChristian was found Monday morning in a desolate tunnel near here. It is evident he had committed suicide by blowing himself up with giant powder. The head was blown from the trunk and the upper portion of the corpse was shattered. It is supposed that he attached the fuse to a stick of powder and held it in his mouth and then lighted it. Mr. McChristian was an old soldier in this camp and had many friends. He represented a liquor house in Chicago. Ill health and financial troubles are the supposed cause of the act.

Shot by Mistake.

DAVENPORT, Ia., March 29.—Albert Leleonek, a farm hand employed on the farm of Albert Courthouse, near Stockton, a small village near this city, shot and killed George Becker, who had been invited to the Courthouse farm to spend the night. Leleonek claims that he mistook Becker for a robber. He has been placed under arrest and is now in jail in this city.

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